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PROCESS FOR IDENTIFYING PARACATION CHANNEL MODULATORS

the specification of which is attached hereto;

was filed on November 10, 1994 as Application
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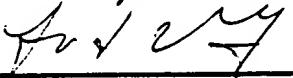
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I hereby declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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